Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 13 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 14 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 12 Sep 2023 at 16:34 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High becoming Medium from Friday

Headline for Wednesday 13 Sep 2023: Bright start. Rain by evening with strengthening winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 13 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	<05%	10%	40%	80%	70%

Forecast for Wednesday 13 Sep 2023

Weather: Clear spells overnight and rather chilly, perhaps a few mist patches in the glens around dawn. This will lead onto a dry and bright morning, some sunny spells expected. High cloud increasing from the west with outbreaks of rain soon reaching Skye and the west coast in the afternoon, spreading to all ranges by evening, occasionally heavy.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% lowering to 30% by evening.

Low cloud and visibility: No significant cloud at first, but becoming extensive 600 to 900m by evening, patches or occasional 300m then developing. Visibility starting very good or excellent except in any early mist, but falling moderate or poor by evening, occasionally very poor at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/16 E	12/15 SE	14/17 SE	19/24 SE	20/26 SE	27/35 SE	33/42 SE	39/50 SE	41/53 S
900	12/16 E	12/15 SE	13/16 SE	17/21 SE	18/24 SE	26/33 SE	30/39 SE	35/46 SE	38/50 S
600	11/15 SE	10/13 SE	10/13 SE	10/15 SE	14/20 SE	18/25 SE	21/30 SE	24/35 SE	25/38 S
300	7/11 E	5/10 E	4/9 E	2/10 E	4/17 SE	7/24 SE	6/27 SE	7/32 SE	11/36 S
Glen	9/12 E	8/11 E	7/10 E	6/12 SE	9/19 SE	10/23 SE	14/30 SE	16/35 SE	17/37 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-1	3/-1	4/-1	4/-1	5/0	4/-2	4/-3	4/-3	6/-1
900	4/-0	4/0	4/0	5/0	6/2	5/-0	4/-2	5/-2	7/1
600	6/3	6/3	6/4	8/5	9/6	8/4	7/2	7/2	9/4
300	7/5	6/4	6/5	10/9	11/10	10/9	9/8	9/8	11/9
Glen	10/8	9/8	10/8	13/12	14/12	13/10	12/9	12/9	14/10
Freezing Level*	1400m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1500m	1700m	2300m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing further to add.

Forecast for Thursday 14 Sep 2023
Weather: Rain soon turning showery overnight. Very windy with bright spells and occasional showers during daylight hours, feeling chilly over the summits with gales. Winds easing and the showers becoming well scattered in the evening.

Maximum wind: Southwest 35 gusting 50mph, easing 20mph in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud mainly near or above the summits, but occasional, base 600 to 900m early in the day and in showers. Visibility mostly very good, but moderate or poor in rain and cloud.

Temperature: **Glens:** 7 Celsius rising to 14 Celsius during the day.
At 800m: Plus 5 to 9 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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